

wherein said magnetic layer is disposed on at least some of said metallic layer.

65. The magnetic/metallic security device of claim 64, which further comprises a coating layer disposed over said magnetic layer.

REMARKS

U.S. Patent No. 6,255,948 to GARY R. WOLPERT *et al.* (US 6,255,948 B1) contains 55 claims.

By way of the present Preliminary Amendment, new claims 56 to 65 have been added.

Claims 1 to 65 are therefore currently pending in the subject reissue application.

Support for new claims 56 to 65 can be found in US 6,255,948 B1 at or in:

- (a) lines 4 to 9 of the Abstract;
- (b) Col. 2, lines 18 to 23 and 25 to 27;
- (c) Col. 3, lines 31 to 55;
- (d) Col. 6, lines 9 to 13, 28 to 35 and 49 to 54;
- (e) Col. 8, lines 22 to 31 and 59 to 62;
- (f) Col. 9, lines 45 to 56;
- (g) Figures 8, 9 and 10, where the metallic layer is shown as including visually identifiable graphic indicia; and
- (h) Col. 10, lines 21 to 26 and 49 to 54, of the reissue application.

No new matter has been added.

New claims 56 and 58 mirror the language of claims 1 and 54 of US 6,255,948 B1, respectively, except that these claims now include the limitation that the magnetic layer only has to be disposed on at least a portion of at least one of the conductive regions of the metallic layer. This is consistent with the summary of the invention in Col. 2, lines 18 to 23, of US 6,255,948 B1.

New claims 60 and 62 also mirror the language of claims 1 and 54 of US 6,255,948 B1, respectively, except that these claims now include the limitation that the magnetic layer only has to be disposed on at least a portion of at least one of the conductive regions of the metallic layer. As noted above, this is consistent with the summary of the invention in Col. 2, lines 18 to 23, of

US 6,255,948 B1. These claims now also include the limitation that recesses forming visually identifiable indicia are formed in at least one of (a) any of the conductive regions and (b) the magnetic layer in substantially identical registration with at least a portion of at least one conductive region. This is consistent with figures 8, 9 and 10, where the metallic layer is shown as including visually identifiable indicia. The visually identifiable indicia can take any of the forms disclosed in the specification, including positive or negative writing formed by the metallic layer, or simply printed indicia on the metallic layer. *See* Col. 9, lines 45 to 56, of US 6,255,948 B1. This is also consistent with Col. 10, lines 21 to 26, of US 6,255,948 B1, that discloses that the metallic security features and magnetic security features can be used individually or combined in any way.

New claim 64 relates to a security device having a metal security feature and a magnetic security feature. *See* Col. 2, lines 18 to 23, of US 6,255,948 B1. The metal security feature comprises a metallic layer divided into a plurality of conductive regions, with each conductive region having a detectable characteristic providing metallic security features. *See* Col. 8, lines 22 to 31, US 6,255,948 B1. The metallic layer further includes visually identifiable graphic indicia. As noted above, in figures 8, 9 and 10, the metallic layer is shown as including visually identifiable indicia. As also noted above, the visually identifiable indicia can take any of the forms disclosed in the specification, including positive or negative writing formed by the metallic layer, or simply printed indicia on the metallic layer. *See* Col. 9, lines 49 to 56, of US 6,255,948 B1. The magnetic security feature comprises a magnetic layer having a predetermined characteristic so that the magnetic layer provides a magnetic security feature. *See* Col. 6, lines 49 to 54, of US 6,255,948 B1. The magnetic layer is disposed on at least some of the metallic layer. *See* Col. 2, lines 18 to 23, of US 6,255,948 B1.

New claims 57, 59, 61, 63 and 65 are dependent claims which provide for a coating layer disposed over the magnetic layer as provided in Col. 2, lines 25 to 27 and Col. 6, lines 28 to 35, of US 6,255,948 B1.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that new claims 56 to 65 are adequately supported by the specification and that no new matter has been added.

Fees required for this Preliminary Amendment are included in the check enclosed with the accompanying Reissue Application Transmittal Letter. If additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the additional fees to Deposit Acct. No. 08-2622.

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